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101 It was stated before that these Chibhālīs, Muhammadans now, are in fact of the same race as the Dogrās, who have remained Hindū. Several tribes of these Muhammadans have the same name as certain of the castes in Dūgar. Thus, some of the subdivisions of the Hindū Rājpūts, as Chib, Jarāl, Pāl, &c., exist also among the Muhammadans; and the more general designation of Mussalmān Rājpūt is commonly enough used.

564 These Muhammadanised Hindūs keep to some of the old caste [264] rules; not, indeed, as to eating, for all Muhammadans will eat [582] together; but in the matter of intermarriage. They will either marry in their own separate caste, or will take a wife from the one below them, and give their daughters to the caste above them.

Besides Rājpūts, there are many Muhammadanised Jats in Chibhāl; the Jat is the prevalent cultivating caste in the Panjāb, but it occurs but rarely in Dūgar. In the eastern part of Chibhāl are Muhammadan Thakars.

Besides these, there are many races among the Chibhālīs whose origin it is not easy to discover. An important and high caste is one called Sudan; it prevails in the part between Pūnch and the Jhelam; it has a position among these Muhammadans nearly like that of the Miāns among the Dogrās. A general name for this and the other high castes of Chibhāl is *Sāhū*.

In the higher part of the Darhāl Valley, to the north-east of Rājaorī, are some people who are called *Maliks*. This is a Muhammadan title given by Akbar. The Maliks were appointed by that king to the charge of the Passes that led into Kashmir. Villages were granted to them to be held by the tenure of this service; they were to defend the Passes, and appear in the field when required with from 100 to 500 men;* the charge became hereditary, and these Maliks of Darhāl, as well as those on the other frontiers of Kashmir, doubtless represent the original officers of Akbar. What race they were of to begin with I cannot tell; these at Darhāl, though in some respects resembling the rest of the Chibhālīs, still have something distinctive in their appearance;

* I have here quoted from Baron von Hugel.